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To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors of the
Borough of Lostwithiel.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present
the Annual Report of the Health and Sanitary
circumstances of the Borough for the year 1950.

Thanks are due to Mr Webb,
the Sanitary Inspector of the Council, for his
work throughout the year. Thanks are due also
to Mr. Watts and other Council Officers for
co-operation and help. I wish to record my
gratitude to Members of the Public Health Committee
for their interest and support.



I have the honour to be,
Sirs,

Your obedient servant,

(signed) J.G.S. TURNER.

Medical Officer of Health.

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SECTION A.

AREA - (In acres) 3,050.

Lostwithiel is a charming country town, set in beautiful surroundings in the valley of the Fowey River. The Town has many historic associations and some of the old buildings are well preserved. The Surrounding district is entirely rural.

NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES - According to the Rate Book the number of the inhabited houses in the district is 716, the rateable value being £9746 which represents approximately £40. 0. 0. for a Penny Rate,

MET. DATA

Rainfall

The Rainfall data is available for part of the year only and the figures are shown below.

1950.	September.	5. 75.
	October.	2. 81.
	November.	8. 19.
	December.	5. 82.

The maximum temperature recorded was on July 22nd when a temperature of 84 degrees was recorded, and the minimum on December 5th 1950 when a temperature of 21 degrees was recorded.

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter mentioned therein. I am sorry that I cannot give you a more definite answer at this time, but I am sure that you will understand my position. I am sure that you will be satisfied with the result.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. H. [Name]
[Address]
[City, State]

SECTION B.

General Provisions of Health Services.

Public Health Officers of the Local Authority.

(1) Medical Officer of Health.

J.G.S. Turner M.B. Ch. B. D.P.H. L. 2. 50 -
31. 12. 50.

(2) Sanitary Inspector (part time)
A.F.J. Webb. A.R.S.I.

LABORATORY FACILITIES - Facilities are available at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro, where all material is sent for investigation.

DIPHTHERIA ANTITOXIN - A Supply is maintained at the Health Area Office, St. Austell, and is obtainable on request by Medical Practitioners.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES - These are now provided by the County Council from the main Ambulance Station at St. Austell. In emergencies, at night, and at weekends, help is given by voluntary staff from neighbouring districts. Thanks are due to Mrs. Batchelor the Organiser of the Hospital Car Service and to the many ladies and gentlemen who provided transport on request.

NURSING IN THE HOME - The establishment of Nurses for the area is 1 Dis-trict Nurse - Midwife- Health Visitor. The service is satisfactory.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE. For various reasons it was not found possible to open the Infant Welfare Centre, but as all

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children are regularly visited in their homes, little or no disadvantage has resulted. Approximately 60% of births occur in the home.

Hospitals. No hospitals exist within the district and patients are sent to St. Austell, Bodmin, Truro and Redruth. Cases requiring isolation and special treatment are sent to the Truro Isolation Hospital.

CARE AND AFTER CARE None was Provided.

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE. This service has been organised by Mrs Liddicoat and by Mrs Clark to whom thanks are due. The establishment has been increased to the equivalent of two full time home Helps. A total of 19 persons were aided of whom four were maternity cases. The recovery of the cost was difficult as most of those aided were old and had small incomes.

SECTION C.

SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE DISTRICT.

WATER.

A total of 18,000,000 gallons has been pumped during the year with an additional 30,000 gallons daily from Collibeacon and Maudlin sources. The daily average is 54,000 gallons. Daily inspections of filter beds and reservoirs have been carried out, the filter beds cleaned, and fresh limestone chippings installed.

10 Samples of water have been taken, and all proved satisfactory for drinking purposes.

DE LANK.

THE MID CORNWALL WATER BOARD has now been set up to operate the De Lank Water Scheme, and Lostwithiel Borough has one representative on the Board. It is anticipated that the water rate will be approximately 3/- in the pound with an additional 6d rate on constituent Authorities.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949. An operator has been recently trained and the Council will now be able to perform its duties under the Act.

DRAINAGE. Little progress has been made to date with the Sewage Scheme and reports are awaited from the District Valuers before the prepared scheme is placed before the Ministry for their approval.

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SECTION D.

H O U S I N G.

There is still a shortage of houses within the district.

Building was at a standstill except for 2 houses being erected by private enterprise with a probable 2 others with in the next year. There are 34 names on the Council's waiting list at present, but a considerable rise can be expected in this number when building recommences. Repairs have been carried out to 16 houses as a result of informal notices for sanitary and other defects.

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK. Routine inspections have been carried out on the premises and equipment of the two retailers in the district.

ICE CREAM

There are 8 registered ice cream vendors but only one of these manufactures his product. The others buy prepacked ice cream from reputable firms. Routine inspections show that all comply with the regulations and that premises and equipment are satisfactory.

FOOD INSPECTIONS

Regular inspections were carried out of the shops and bakchouses within the district. There was only one informal notice for repairs and cleaning of premises during the year. No action has been taken for the adulteration of Food. Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption was as follows:-

1 Ox Head Complete.	Actinomycosis.
62 Tins Sardines.	Blown.
15 Tins Pears.	Blown.
3 Tins Peas.	Blown.
2 x 15 lbs Tins Ham.	Decomposition.

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TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table gives the age and sex distribution of new cases and deaths for the year 1950.

	<u>NEW CASES</u>				<u>DEATHS</u>			
	<u>PULMONARY</u>		<u>NON-PULMONARY</u>		<u>PULMONARY</u>		<u>NON-PULMONARY</u>	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year								
1 - 4								
5 - 9								
10 - 14								
15 - 19								
20 - 24								
25 - 34				1				
35 - 44								
45 - 54	1				1			
55 - 64	1				1			
65 - 74								
OVER 75								
TOTAL	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0

There were 5 males and 3 females on the T.B.

Register at 31st December 1950.

SECTION. F.

Prevalence of and control over Infectious and
Other Diseases.

Notifications of the following infectious diseases
were recorded during the year:-

Disease	Number of Cases.	Lostwithiel		Rate per 1,000 Population England & Wales.
		1949	1950	1950
Pneumonia:	10.	0. 94.	4. 78.	0. 70.
Whooping Cough.	27.	2. 81.	12. 9.	3. 60.
Scarlet Fever.	6.	0. 0.	2. 9.	1. 50.

There were no deaths due to infectious diseases.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

The following table gives
the number of children at 31st December 1950 who
had completed a full course of immunisation at any
time prior to that date.

Age at birth i.e. born in year	Under 1 year 1950.	1 1949.	2 1948.	3 1947.	4 1946.	5-9yrs 1941-45.	10-14 yrs 1936-40.	Total children under 15 years
Number immunised	6	44	39	37	33	43	6	208
Estimated Mid- year Population 1950.				171.		239		410
Percentage immunised				93%			18. 1%	50.3%

The above figures were derived from Returns submitted
by Medical Practitioners. For children aged 5-14 years there is
undoubtedly an underestimate, as school returns indicate that about
80% of this age group are protected.

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FACTORIES ACTS. 1937.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises	No. on Register.	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Occupiers prosecuted.
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	12	21	-	-
(11) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	5	-	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (including out-Workers' premises).	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	17	21	-	-

Number of cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Found Remedied		To H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)-	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors. (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)-	-	-	-	-	-
(a) insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective.	-	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes.	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork).	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	2	-	-	-

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LOSTWITHIELSummary of Vital Statistics.

Area (in acres)	3050
Population.	2092
Number of inhabited Houses.	716
Rateable Value.	£9746
Produce of a Penny Rate	£ 39. 1. 5.

<u>Live Births</u>	Male	Female	Total	Rate per 1,000 Population
Legitimate	20	15)	37.	<u>Lostwithiel England and</u>
Illegitimate	-	2)		<u>Wales.</u>
				17. 65. 15. 8.
Corrected for age distribution 20.1.				

<u>Still Births</u>				
Legitimate	2	0)	2	0. 95.
Illegitimate	0	0)		0. 37.
<u>Deaths</u>	21	21	42	20. 05.
Corrected for age distribution.				13. 8.
				Rate per 1,000 Total Births
Maternal Deaths	0	0	0	0. 86.
Deaths under 1 Yr				Rate per 1,000 Live Births
(Infant Mortality)				
Legitimate	0	0	0	0
Illegitimate	0	0	0	29. 8.
Deaths under 2				
from enteritis &				
Diarrhoea	0	0	0	0
				1. 9.

The following table gives the causes of death in accordance with the Abbreviated List of the International List of 1948.

Code No. V37	<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Deaths in			
LOSTWITHIEL MB			
U.D.R.D. S.D. 30	1. Tuberculosis		
1950.	respiratory	2	-
	2. Tuberc other	-	-
	3. Syphilitic		
	disease	-	-
	4. Diphtheria	-	-

MEMORANDUM

TO: THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

FROM: THE CHIEF OF STAFF

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<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
5. Whooping Cough	-	-
6. Meningo coccal infections	-	-
7. Acute poliomyelitis	-	-
8. Measles.	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm stomach.	1	-
11. Malignant neoplasm lung bronchus.	-	-
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast.	-	1
13. Malignant neoplasm uterus.	-	-
14. Other malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms.	2	2
15. Leukæmia aleuræmia.	-	-
16. Diabetes.	-	-
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.	3	6
18. Coronary disease angina	1	-
19. Hypertension with heart disease.	-	-
20. Other heart diseases	4	8
21. Other circulatory disease	1	1
22. Influenza	1	-

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| <u>Disease</u> | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females</u> |
|--|--------------|----------------|
| 23. Pneumonia. | - | - |
| 24. Bronchitis. | 1 | - |
| 25. Other diseases of
respiratory system. | - | - |
| 26. Ulcer of stomach and
duodenum. | - | - |
| 27. Gastritis enteritis
and diarrhoea | - | - |
| 28. Nephritis and
nephrosis. | 1 | - |
| 29. Hyperplasia of prostate- | | - |
| 30. Pregnancy ch-ildbirth,
abortion. | - | - |
| 31. Congenital
malformations. | - | - |
| 32. Other defined and
ill-defined diseases. | 1 | 1 |
| 33. Motor vehicle
Accidents. | - | - |
| 34. All other accidents | 1 | 2 |
| 35. Suicide. | - | - |
| 36. Homicide and operations
of war. | - | - |
| All causes M. 21. F.21. | | |

The following short table gives the percentage of those dy-ing in the group indicated

| | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females.</u> |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 0 - 1 year | 0 | 0 |
| 1 - 59 years | 19 | 0 |
| 60 - 69 years | 23. 8. | 23. 8. |
| 70 - 79 years | 28. 6. | 57. 2. |
| 80 - 89 years | 23. 8. | 9. 5. |
| 90 - | 4. 7. | 9. 5. |

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